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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Research)

SUBJECT : Presentation of Outstanding Supply Officer
Certificate to [REDACTED]

1. As you know, there is a continuous effort in the Office of Special Activities to handle assigned military personnel in such a way that they will feel that they are a recognized and essential part of the Agency program. Compartmentalization, security, cover limitations and the relatively short time a military man spends with the Agency make it difficult for them to feel that they are a significant part of the Agency effort. Security requirements also make it difficult to adequately state for the written record just what specific duties have been performed. Public recognition for outstanding performance is, of course, impossible. As a result, military personnel tend to think that the Agency has little interest in their present welfare and no interest in their future careers.

2. Fortunately, an opportunity has arisen that can be utilized by top Agency management in furthering our continuous effort to recognize the services of the military man. [REDACTED] currently serving the Agency at [REDACTED] will be in Washington, D. C., on 20 February 1963, to participate in the 1962 Freedom Foundation Award ceremonies, having been selected as one of the top ten winners in the Freedom Award contest. The Air Force has also selected [REDACTED] for the Outstanding Supply Officer award. Plans are being made to present an Outstanding Supply Officer Certificate to [REDACTED] at Headquarters on the 20th. While selection as an outstanding Supply Officer does not constitute an award of unusual magnitude, the combination of awards and the opportunity do seem to warrant more than normal recognition by the Agency of [REDACTED] achievements.

3. It is recommended that General Carter present the Outstanding Supply Officer award to [REDACTED]. Such a presentation would clearly emphasize the fact that the Agency is

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aware of and does appreciate the services of its military personnel.

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